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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE TAX COMMISSION

***Holiday Inn Express and Okemos Conference Center,
Okemos A & B Rooms
2187 University Park Drive, Okemos, Michigan***

***Monday, May 23, 2016
9:00 a.m.***

***PRESENT: Douglas B. Roberts, Chair STC
Barry S. Simon, Member STC
W. Howard Morris, Member STC

Heather S. Frick, Executive Director
LaNiece Densteadt, Recording Secretary***

The item numbers referred to in the minutes correspond to the agenda items as numbered.

It was moved by Morris, supported by Simon, and approved to adopt the minutes of May 9, 2016. (Item 1 on agenda)

It was moved by Simon, supported by Morris, and unanimously approved that the valuations enumerated by Ms. Parr and recommended by the Property Services Division be received and approved as the 2016 Final Equalized Valuations for each separately equalized classification of property in each of the 83 Michigan counties. The Final 2016 total state equalized valuations for each class are as follows: (Item 2 on agenda)

Agricultural	\$ 22,795,411,527
Commercial	\$ 53,870,354,704
Industrial	\$ 16,849,199,209
Residential	\$ 274,930,187,551
Timber-Cutover	\$ 238,999,493
Developmental	\$ 134,757,533
Total Real Property	\$ 368,818,910,017
Total Personal Property	\$ 27,898,913,829
Total Real and Personal	\$ 396,717,823,846

It was moved by Morris, supported by Simon, and unanimously approved Bulletin 6 of 2016 County Multipliers. (Item 3 on agenda)

It was moved by Morris, supported by Simon, and unanimously approved the GovDelivery Electronic Communications System Recommendation. The Commission requested that all equalization directors and assessing officers sign up to receive electronic communications via the GovDelivery system. (Item 4 on agenda)

The State Tax Commission recognized the below recipients who were awarded their Michigan Advanced Assessing Officer (MAAO) Certificate. On April 21, 2016 these students successfully completed the one year MAAO May 2015 Lansing Program. The Commission also thanked the MAAO Instructors: John Awrey, Laurie Spencer, Ed VanderVries, Pete Arbour and Lynne Houston for their hard work and dedication. (Item 5 on agenda)

Elizabeth Anderson
David Buick
Angela Daniels
Marchelle DeLong
Casey Guthrie
Justin Prybylski
Theodore Somers
Jessica Williams

Joanie Barnett
Linda Schadler
Jason Daniels
Jennifer Genter
Tina Papineau
Roger Schmidt
James VanHaitsma

The State Tax Commission recognized the below recipients who were awarded their Michigan Certified Assessing Officer (MCAO) Certificate. On May 6, 2016 these students successfully completed the MCAO January 2015 Lansing Program. The Commission also thanked the MCAO Instructors: Dick Steffens, Lynne Houston, Bob Brandmier and Pete Arbour for their hard work and dedication. (Item 5 on agenda)

Gunnar Brow
Devan DeLong
Jordan DeWeerd
Brian Hoekema
David McArthur
Ryan Mills
Annette Peters
Matthew Sisson
Allison Thompson
Kathy Ward
Amanda Wethington
Richard McGrew

Elizabeth Hyatt
Matthew DeVerney Jr.
Andrew Giguere
Eric Jones
John Megdan
Amy Richards
Rachael Barnes
Sarah Struthers
Phillip Wall
Kimber Westmaas
David Yack
Melissa Brooks

The State Tax Commission recognized the below recipients who were awarded their Michigan Certified Assessing Officer (MCAO) Certificate. On April 22, 2016 these students successfully completed the MCAO June 2015 Marquette Program. The Commission also thanked the MCAO Instructor Dulcee Atherton for her hard work and dedication. (Item 5 on agenda)

Allison Cummings
Mildren Ann Gasperich
Kathy Koval
Richard Probst, Jr.
Kristin Thornton
Amanda Anderson

Amanda Forslund
Rodd Haltunen
Jamie Lippens
Janelle Ruff
Tammy Weissert
Sam Gerber

Chairman Roberts stated the following: As chair I would like to congratulate all the recipients. I would like to make the statement that as long as I have been on the Commission our number one issue is to try to professionalize the assessing function. These are the future leaders and I wish them all the best and congratulations.

Commissioner Simon stated the following: I would also add my congratulations to all the recipients receiving their certification. I would also like to thank the instructors that participated in all the programs and staff for their work on the programs.

It was moved by Simon, supported by Morris, and unanimously approved to adopt the staff recommendation on the Charitable Non-Profit Housing Organization Exemptions for the following: (Item 6 on agenda)

These exemptions will expire on **December 30, 2019 for a period of three (3 years)**, or until one of the following events occur:

1. The eligible nonprofit housing property is occupied by a low-income person under a lease agreement, or
2. The eligible nonprofit housing property is transferred by the charitable nonprofit housing organization.

County	Local Unit	Parcel Number	Years Approved
Chippewa	City of Sault Ste. Marie	051-108-002-00	3 years
Washtenaw	Ypsilanti Township	K-11-14-287-040	3 years

It was moved by Morris, supported by Simon, and unanimously approved to adopt the staff recommendations on the Exemptions Agenda. (Item 7 on agenda) ([See attached link for file identification.](#))

Public Comment (Item 8 on agenda): No member of the public wished to comment.

It was moved by Roberts, supported by Simon, to go into closed session to discuss an item of pending litigation. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson Roberts – Yes, Commissioner Simon – Yes, Commissioner Morris – Yes. The motion was unanimously approved.

It was moved by Roberts, supported by Simon, and unanimously approved to return to open session. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson Roberts – Yes, Commissioner Simon – Yes, Commissioner Morris – Yes. The motion was unanimously approved.

It was moved by Simon, supported by Roberts, and unanimously approved to have the Meeting Advisory Committee review the AMAR procedures and process. (Add on to agenda)

The next Commission meeting will be held June 7, 2016, at the Okemos Conference Center in the Okemos A & B Rooms, 2187 University Park Drive, Okemos.

It was moved by Roberts, supported by Morris, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting of the State Tax Commission at 9:28 a.m.

DATE TYPED: **May 24, 2016**

DATE APPROVED: **June 7, 2016**

Douglas B. Roberts, Chair
State Tax Commission

Barry N. Simon, Member
State Tax Commission

W. Howard Morris, Member
State Tax Commission